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Application No.

10/049,497

Applicant(s)

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Title

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APPEAL BRIEF

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Dear Sir:

This Appeal Brief is submitted in support of the Notice of Appeal filed via facsimile on February 1, 2005, providing for timely filing up to and including April 1, 2005.

REAL PARTY IN INTEREST

The real party in interest is The Procter & Gamble Company of Cincinnati, Ohio.

RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

There are no known related appeals, interferences, or judicial proceedings.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-4 and 8-10 are rejected.

Claims 1-4 and 8-10 are appealed.

A complete copy of the appealed claims is set forth in the Claims Appendix arrached hereto.

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SUMMARY

Based on the reasons set forth above. Appellants submit that Claims 1-4 and 8-10 are patentably distinct from and nonobvious over the cited references. Accordingly, the rejections under 35 USC \$103(a) are improper, and Appellants respectfully request the reversal of these rejections by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY

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